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OBITUARIES

WILLIE E. FARRIS
William Ernest Farris died on April 2 in Enterprise hospital following an illness of four days. Heart trouble was the cause of his death. He was born in Bethlehem community and lived in that area for 81 years. He was the oldest Farris in the county. He was a member of Bethlehem Primitive Baptist Church.

ENJOYS CLIPPER
A letter received from Mr. & Mrs. Paul Alderson in Galesburg, Ill. read as follows:
Thanks for the notice that our Clipper subscription is due. Please find enclosed \$2.50 for one year's subscription. We enjoy the Clipper very much as it is the only source of hearing from our friends and relatives. Every week we look forward to receiving The Clipper and want to thank you for sending it.

EXTENSIVE PLOWING
A ride over a wide territory in Coffee County Sunday afternoon impressed the writer with the unusually large amount of farm land that has been plowed and prepared for planting. Two important factors in the plowing have been the high prices of cotton and the increasing number of tractors in the county which make plowing easier and faster than formerly.

LAW OF AVERAGES OFF
This section should have been blessed with an early spring this year, according to the law of averages. Because the winter was one of the coldest on record and Easter came early—March 25—Elba should not have had that heavy frost Friday morning nor the cool days that it had the past week. It will be the year 2008 before Easter will come as early as it did this year.

PRETTY HOMES
Two sisters, Mrs. Brack Ingram and Mrs. Charles Gunter, have unusually pretty and well-equipped homes. The Ingram home is located between New Brockton and Enterprise and is one of the show places of the county. The Gunter home is located in New Brockton and has everything in the way of comfort and attractiveness. Mrs. Ingram is the former Annie Joe Young and Mrs. Gunter was Sara Young, both daughters of the late Joe Young, for many years employed at the Elba post office.

AZALEAS GALORE
Azaleas in five different colors stretch across the front of the house of Miss Gypsy Blue, along one side and curve almost around the yard. One bush, planted 12 years ago, is particularly large and full of blossoms. Miss Blue said the heaviest bloom she has ever had was in the few days previously had been.

DONATES COMMUNION TABLE
Mrs. W. W. Sanders has presented a communion table to the Elba Methodist Church as a memorial to her husband who for many years was an active member of the church. Rev. P. L. Davis stated Bishop Clair Purcell will come to Elba probably early in the next conference year, to dedicate the new addition to the church building and at that time will include all recent additions and improvements in the dedication.

COINCIDENCE
John Kendrick, who lived for many years in the Danley Cross Road community, died at his home in Opp on March 27, 1950, the day when this area had one of the worst wind and rain storms in years. On March 28, 1951, Mrs. Kendrick died when another wind and dust storm was raging.

NEW SWITCHING FACILITIES
The freight business in Elba has grown to such large proportions that present yard tracks have become inadequate to take care of shipping needs. Long trains have to do a lot of backing and maneuvering. To solve this, a truck building crew is in Elba this week, constructing new tracks. Increased volume of the day is Thomas Jefferson's birthday and is observed as a moving freight traffic out of Elba.

BASEBALLERS MEET
Plans for a baseball team in Elba were discussed at a meeting of interested players at the City Hall Tuesday evening. Formation of a six-team league with a play-off was planned.
Brundidge, Enterprise, Opp, Andalusia, Troy and Brantley were named as possible league members.
A practice session was called for 1:30 o'clock Sunday afternoon at the ball diamond on the Troy highway.
Men attending the meeting were Malcom Plant, Bob Glenn, John Enzor, Tommie Wise, Sam Jackson, Shorty Martin, James Brantley, and Roy King. Frank Buckner is going to be asked to coach the nine.
Anybody interested in playing is asked to be at the practice session Sunday or contact Mr. Fuller at the Fuller Barber Shop.

NO GOOD BEHAVIOR REWARD
Dr. W. R. Crook, who fell and broke his hip at his home four months ago went to Enterprise hospital Tuesday for a check-up. When his hip was x-rayed, he was told all right. He would have to be kept in it for six months. Dr. Crook wanted time off for good behavior but the doctor told him he would have to serve his full time out. So it's two months more on crutches for Dr. Crook.

40 Years Ago in Elba
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The building now occupied by the post office and the one adjoining the old Rainer corner, are being remodeled, and a Bank and Trust Co. with Messrs. F. P. and Y. W. Rainer as principal stockholders will occupy the building now used as post office and the post office will be moved into the next building. The need of two or three more strong banking institutions for Elba has been long recognized by the people of this territory as essential to future development of our natural resources. A few years ago money was very scarce in Coffee County and the man who loaned money was looked upon with the same degree of wonder, admiration and doubt as our aviators when they make one of their awe-inspiring spiral glides. But that time is in the deep, dark past, and there are in almost every community of our county "money lenders" who recognize bank stock, when handled by safe, conservative business men, as the safest investment they can make. The Rainers are popular business men and have enough business of their own to justify them in engaging in the banking business and their new enterprise should be a success from the beginning.

MRS. C. S. HUTCHISON
Mrs. Willa Brunson Hutchison died Wednesday night at 10:30 o'clock at Enterprise hospital following an illness of four days. She was a member of New Brockton Baptist Church and was born Nov. 17, 1877 in Coffee County and had lived in New Brockton 42 years.
Surviving are seven sons, C. G., Frank, J. S., W. B., Mat and Roy Hutchison; four daughters, Mrs. Ruby Wright, Mrs. Elizabeth Williams, Mrs. Ann Taylor, and Mrs. Kate Vest; two brothers, Ben P. and Mose Brunson; three sisters, Mrs. Lillie Grant, Mrs. Ruby Rowe and Mrs. Kate McKinnon.
Funeral services will be held on April 6 at New Brockton Baptist Church, conducted by the Rev. P. L. Davis. Interment will be in New Brockton Cemetery. Hayes Funeral Home directing.

Mrs. F. Carnley Is Elected President of Elba P-T. A. Tuesday
Mrs. Fleetwood Carnley was elected president of the Elba P-T. A. Tuesday evening at the high school. Others elected were Mrs. J. M. Kimmey, vice-president; Mrs. Roscoe Deal, secretary; Mrs. P. H. Sellers, treasurer and Mrs. Jim Larkins, parliamentarian.

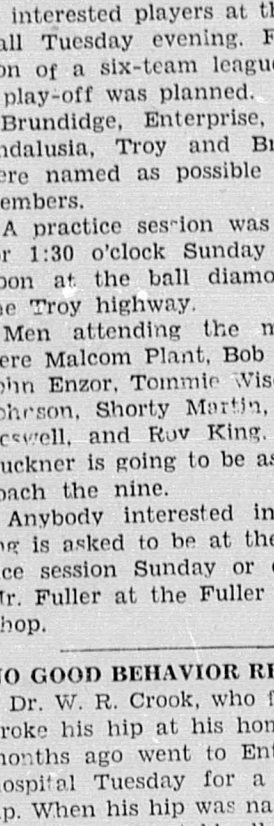
BANK CLOSURE APRIL 13
The Elba Exchange Bank will be closed on Friday, April 13, the day is Thomas Jefferson's birthday and is observed as a moving freight traffic out of Elba.

SUN-TIME COTTON



The newest in sun-time, a slim one-piece sun-time outfit of a girl that deck, ship-like summer look. This one is in Elba. She used two 100-lb. red and white outfit, the National Cotton Council reports.

CINDERELLA SACKS!



No wonder this beautiful girl is smiling. What woman wouldn't beam when she is wearing a sack dress that didn't cost a cent! From cotton feed bags, like the ones which she is sitting, this talented girl made a snappy polka dot outfit. She used two 100-lb. red and white print feed bags for the skirt, coat and long-sleeved one plain white four bag for the blouse.

Elba School Budget Will Be Cut If City Council Does Not Meet All Bond Payments-Pittman

Any deficit in payment by the Elba City Council to the Board of Education for retirement of bonds will be deducted from the budget for Elba schools, the Coffee County group decided at a meeting Friday morning at the courthouse.
The resolution passed by the board of education dealt with a two-year-old problem that has faced them. When the new school building was erected in Elba, the board sold \$70,000 in bonds after the city agreed to pay \$500 per month for their retirement. For over a year the city has not made the payments. Last month Mayor L. P. Mullins made a stop-gap arrangement by saying the city would pay \$1500 to the board so that they could meet their immediate bond obligations without cutting this year's school budget. Members of the council have charged the state department of education with pressuring them into a situation where it was necessary to raise the money or else have construction stopped on the school building.
Other business transacted at the meeting concerned the naming of trustees for county schools action on the coach's supplemental and parking down of janitorial expenses so that the county could stay within its educational budget.
COACHES SUPPLEMENTS
The county board decided to allow \$25 per month supplement in high schools for each major sport. Only two major sports would be considered, football and basketball. This would enable coaches in Enterprise and Elba to \$50 additional each month and Kinston and New Brockton, where there is no football, \$25 additional. A further high is to be entitled to \$70 monthly if a coach is employed. This supplement was meant for high schools with junior teams as well as places like Madammas Junior High.
JANITORIAL EXPENSES
Money spent on janitorial services in high schools was not changed but in the other county elementary schools money provided by the board was cut from \$55 to \$35. The board counted on the individual schools making up the \$20 balance with funds available to them.
The cut was made to keep the county from spending more money than it has on hand. The state exacts a 25 per cent penalty from boards going over the budget by subtracting the deficit and penalty from the next year's funds.
TRUSTEES NAMED
In passing on trustees for the different schools, the board followed the general procedure of taking the three out of six who polled the largest number of votes. Where number of votes cast was not indicated, they as a rule took the top three men on the list. There were a few exceptions to this procedure.
For the high schools, the board recommended that trustees named appoint two more from the list to serve with them. Mayor L. P. Mullins, Dr. J. M. Kimmey and Roscoe Deal were chosen trustees for Elba.
CLOSED DOOR SESSION
Preceding the making of the above decisions, a closed door session of the board, to which the press was not invited, was held.
A complete list of trustees for all schools in the county is below. In each case the first three named were chosen trustees from the list of six that was (Continued on Back Page)

New Road Patrol Is Purchased by City

The city has recently received a new Austin Western road patrol to replace the one used for many years on the streets. The new machine was purchased from the Joe Money Machinery Co. in Birmingham. The old patrol was traded in as part payment. The driver delivering the machine was arrested by the state highway patrol in Prattville and fined \$100.75 for having a truck 3 feet 7 inches too long to comply with Alabama highway regulations.

GRID TILT CLIMAXES SPRING FOOTBALL TRAINING TODAY

Climaxing three weeks of spring training, two evenly divided football eleven will take to the Elba High stadium tonight in a preview of next year's grid squad.
Coach Frank Buckner stated Wednesday that he is well pleased with the progress made by his charges. The boys have worked hard and he has hopes of fielding a team next fall that will make a creditable showing.
Grid roster: Jerry Brunson, Andy Kimmey, Mack Moore, Wendell Devane, Tom Precedo, Bobbie Brunson, Billy Joe Whitehead, John M. Wise, Donald Brunson, Maynard Brunson, Owen Ziglar, Lorenzo Smith, Wayne Ennis, Earl Dougherty, Donald Jones, Ronald Farris, Jimmie Corbett, Wayne Ham, Robert Newton, Kenneth King and Fred Qualls.
Black roster: Wayne Marler, Bill Bullard, Sam Moore, Kline Bentley, Johnnie Farris, Carlton Whitman, Pete Morrow, Jimmie Scott, Ronald Courson, Glen More, Jack Parker, Billy Poole, Tracy Ringdorf, Tommie Wise, Jimmy Bowdoin, Doug Marler, Hayes Cain, Travis Bowers, Norman, J. D. Lowery and Bert English.

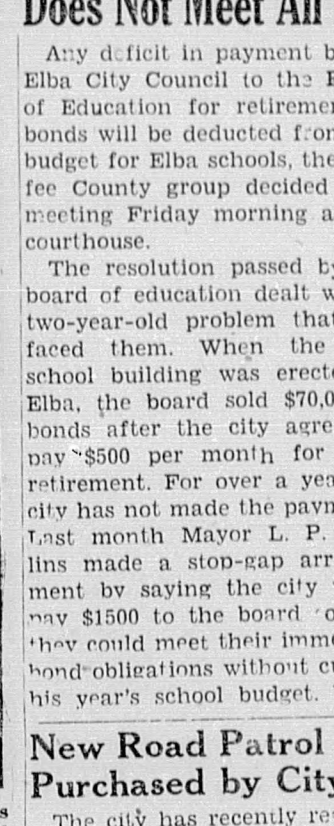
Enterprise to Be Site Of Fat Stock Show

The Annual Coffee County Fat Stock Show will be held at the Enterprise Livestock Commission Monday morning, April 9, beginning at 10 o'clock. The entry list will have 14 boys on it. They are Cecil Hall, Ellis Wise, Hayward Meeks, Max Matthews, Jack Matthews, Billy Barlow. In each case the first three named were chosen trustees from the list of six that was (Continued on Back Page)

P. B. Traweck Dies on April 3; Prominent Attorney for Years

Paschal Bryce Traweck died April 3 at his home on Smith Ave., following an illness of three years. He practiced law in Elba for many years and was recognized as a well-informed attorney. He was a member of the First Baptist Church. He was born in Fayette County in 1872 and had resided in Elba 28 years. His wife was the late Mrs. Ella Braswell.
Surviving are five sons, Paschal, Bill, Edd, James C. and Wallace Traweck; three daughters, Misses Ruth, Pauline and Gertrude Traweck; a sister, Miss Thelma Traweck.
Funeral services were held on April 4 at White Water Church conducted by Rev. O. M. Fox and Judge J. A. Canley.
Funeral services were Maxwell Reeves, Bill Bruce, Clyde Clark and Horace King.
Interment in White Water cemetery. Hayes Funeral Home directing.

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